Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP)

Four ways to be listed in the FedRAMP repository

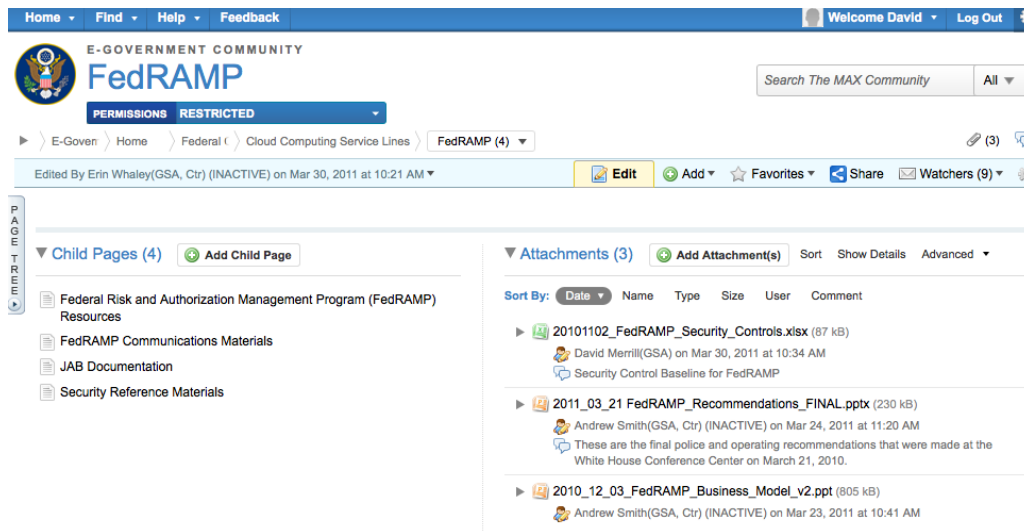October 25, 2012

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FedRAMP ℠

Today's Webinar

FedRAMP is a government-wide program that provides a standardized approach to security assessment, authorization, and continuous monitoring for cloud products and services.

- This webinar will explain the four (4) different ways that a Cloud Service Provider can have their service listed in FedRAMP's secure repository

What is the Secure Repository?

- Enables leveraging of security authorization packages
- Online database of security authorization packages
- Government built, owned, hosted
- Each vendor has a unique enclave within the FedRAMP repository
- Security information is kept current by agencies and CSPs

FedRAMP maintains a repository of standardized security assessment packages Federal Agencies can leverage to make their own risk-based decisions to grant an Authority to Operate for a cloud solution.

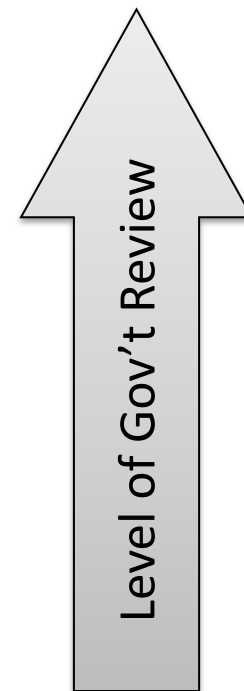The repository is key to the "do once, use many times" approach.

Key Benefits of Listing in the Repository

- It is the authoritative site for the most current version of CSP's security packages and provides access to all authorized agency security staff:
  - Conveys a level of trust – documentation is the product of FedRAMP review process and independent testing

- One stop shop
  - One site for agencies to review latest version of documentation
  - One site for CSPs to manage and update documentation

- May reduce the time for deployment of a cloud service within an agency – FedRAMP documentation is the baseline for all agency ATOs

Leverage ATO: FedRAMP Repository

Authorization Level	FedRAMP 3PAO	ATO Status
JAB Provisional Authorization	✓	JAB (+Agency)
Agency ATO with FedRAMP 3PAO	✓	Agency
Agency ATO**	✗	Agency
CSP Supplied	✓	n/a

Level of Gov't Review

*** A&A packages without a FedRAMP 3PAO do not meet the JAB
independence requirements and are not eligible for JAB review*

Repository Listing Requirements

- Common Requirements:

  1. Security Control Baseline at appropriate impact level

Impact level	NIST Baseline Controls	Additional FedRAMP Controls	Total Controls Agreed to by JAB for FedRAMP
Low	115	1	116
Moderate	252	46	298

  2. Assessment by an independent third-party assessor

  3. Ensure all security authorization documents are completed and included within the security authorization package.

What documentation must be submitted to be in the repository?

A complete security authorization package includes deliverables in section 10 of the FedRAMP CONOPS

FedRAMP System Security Plan (Template)

<Vendor Name>

<Information System Name>

Version 1.0
May 2, 2012

Company Sensitive and Proprietary
For Authorized Use Only

Mandatory Templates:

- System Security Plan
- Security Assessment Plan
- Security Assessment Report

Non-Mandatory Templates

- Control Tailoring Workbook
- Control Implementation Summary
- IT Contingency Plan
- Plan Of Action & Milestones
- Supplier's Declaration of Conformity
- Rules of Behavior
- Incident Response Plan
- Configuration Management Plan

All templates are located on FedRAMP.gov

How does documentation get submitted to the repository?

1. Apply on fedramp.gov	2. Upload to Repository	3. FedRAMP Review	Published on fedramp.gov

1. Apply on fedramp.gov

- Cloud Service Providers and Federal Agencies apply on FedRAMP.gov

- FedRAMP PMO establishes enclave and grants logins to the secure repository

2. Upload to Repository

- Cloud Service Provider or Agency uploads completed package

- Agency uploads ATO letter

3. FedRAMP Review

- FedRAMP PMO check's package completeness:

- All required documentation?

- All controls in the package?

- No risk reviews

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How does an agency use a package in the repository?

Leveraging Agencies search the repository and find:

- Provider
- Date Listed
- Category
- Agency ATO (if applicable)

FedRAMP

Ensuring secure cloud computing for the Federal Government

The Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) is a government-wide program that provides a standardized approach to security assessment, authorization, and continuous monitoring for cloud products and services.

Are you a...?

Federal Agency
What can FedRAMP do for your agency?

CSP
Cloud Service Provider
Get a FedRAMP security authorization.

3PAO
Third Party Assessors
Become a FedRAMP accredited assessor.

- Agencies must implement customer responsibility controls and grant an Agency ATO for the information system residing on the cloud service

- 4 ways to be listed within the FedRAMP Repository

- To be listed, CSPs must meet FedRAMP requirements

- Different categories in repository identify different levels of risk authorization

- Use of FedRAMP templates

- Steps for submission for inclusion within the repository

- How agencies will use the repository

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Question and Answer Session

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